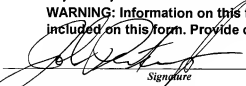


<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>					Docket No. 2350.422	
Applicant(s): Bayer et al.						
Application No. 10/774,264	Filing Date 02/05/2004	Examiner David G. Reese	Customer No. 23405	Group Art Unit 3677	Confirmation No. 8672	
Invention: ARRANGEMENTS AND METHODS FOR CONNECTING DECORATIVE ORNAMENTS						
<u>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>						
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27						
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.						
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>						
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1935 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17. <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. <b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b>						
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